

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 1999-049-C - ORDER NO. 1999-372  
JUNE 1, 1999

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| IN RE: | Application of Valence Communications      | ) | ORDER       | 1 MR |
|        | Services, LTD. for a Certificate of Public | ) | APPROVING   |      |
|        | Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local | ) | CERTIFICATE |      |
|        | Exchange and Interexchange                 | ) |             |      |
|        | Telecommunications Services and for        | ) |             |      |
|        | Alternative and Flexible Regulatory        | ) |             |      |
|        | Treatment.                                 | ) |             |      |

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") by way of the Application of Valence Communications Services, Ltd. ("Valence" or "the Company") for authority to provide both local exchange and long distance telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-9-280 and 58-9-520 and the Regulations of the Commission.

By letter, the Commission's Executive Director instructed Valence to publish, one time, a prepared Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas affected by the Application. The purpose of the Notice of Filing was to inform interested parties of the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings for participation in the proceedings. Valence complied with this instruction and provided the Commission with proof of publication of the Notice of Filing.

A Petition to Intervene was received from the South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC"). Prior to the hearing, counsel for SCTC filed a Stipulation in which Valence stipulated that it would only seek authority in non-rural local exchange ("LEC") service areas of South Carolina and that it would not provide any local service to any customer located in a rural incumbent's service area, unless and until Valence provided written notice of its intent prior to the date of the intended service. Valence also stipulated that it was not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas. Valence agreed to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate to the extent it may be required to do so by the Commission in support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates. The SCTC withdrew its opposition to Valence's Application provided the conditions contained in the Stipulation are met. At the hearing Valence offered the Stipulation into evidence. The Stipulation is approved and attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

A hearing was commenced on May 6, 1999, at 10:30 a.m., in the Commission's Hearing Room. The Honorable Philip Bradley, Chairman, presided. Valence was represented by John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire. F. David Butler, General Counsel, represented the Commission Staff.

Robert Heath, a member of Valence, appeared and offered testimony in support of Valence's application. The record reveals that Valence is a limited partnership organized under the laws of the State of Texas. According to Mr. Heath, Valence proposes to offer resold local and interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina. Mr. Heath explained that Valence possesses the technical, financial, and managerial resources and abilities to provide interexchange and local exchange telecommunications services.

Mr. Heath stated that the management team of Valence is composed of individuals with significant business experience. Further, the record reveals that Valence has adequate financing and financial ability to provide the services which it seeks to provide.

Mr. Heath offered that Valence's entry into the telecommunications industry provides customers with choice, advances the goals of Universal Service, and makes more efficient use of the existing networks. Mr. Heath also testified that approval of Valence's application would not adversely impact affordable local exchange service, and no party of record offered any evidence that the provision of local exchange service by Valence will adversely affect local rates.

Mr. Heath testified that the Company would operate in accordance with the Commission rules, regulations, guidelines and Commission Orders. Mr. Heath also stated that Valence would support universally available telephone service at affordable rates and that the provision of local service by Valence would not adversely impact affordable local service. Mr. Heath specifically stated that the services Valence will provide will meet the service standards of the Commission. Additionally, the record reveals Valence's services, operations and marketing procedures.

By its Application, Valence requested a waiver of our Regulation 103-610, regarding keeping the Company's records in South Carolina.

After full consideration of the applicable law, the Company's application, and the evidence presented at the hearing, the Commission hereby issues its findings of fact and conclusions of law.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Valence is organized as a limited partnership organized under the laws of the State of Texas.
2. Valence wishes to provide local exchange services and interexchange services within the State of South Carolina.
3. The Commission finds that Valence possesses the technical, financial, and managerial resources sufficient to provide the service requested.
4. The Commission finds that Valence's "provision of service will not adversely impact the availability of affordable local exchange service." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280(B)(3) (Supp. 1997).
5. The Commission finds that Valence will support universally available telephone service at affordable rates.
6. The Commission finds that Valence will provide services which will meet the service standards of the Commission.
7. The Commission finds that the provision of local exchange service by Valence "does not otherwise adversely impact the public interest." S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280(B)(5) (Supp. 1997).

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. Based on the above findings of fact, the Commission determines that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity should be granted to Valence to provide competitive intrastate local exchange services within South Carolina and to provide intrastate interLATA service and to originate and terminate toll traffic within the same

LATA, as set forth herein, through the resale of intrastate Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS), Message Telecommunications Service (MTS), directory assistance, travel card service or any other services authorized for resale by tariffs of carriers approved by the Commission. Any proposal to provide local exchange service to rural service areas is subject to the terms of the Stipulation between Valence and SCTC.

2. Valence shall file, prior to offering local exchange services in South Carolina, its final tariff of its local service offerings conforming to all matters discussed with Staff and comporting with South Carolina law in all matters.

3. The Commission adopts a rate design for Valence's local service offerings which permits Valence to file its proposed schedule of maximum rates as requested along with a price list reflecting the actual prices being charged.

With regard to Valence's local exchange service tariff filings, Valence requested that its local exchange service tariff filings be presumed valid upon filing, subject to the Commission's right within seven (7) days to institute an investigation of the tariff filing, in which case such filing would be suspended pending further Order of the Commission; and that any such tariff filings will be subject to the same monitoring process as similarly situated competitive local exchange carriers. Upon consideration of Valence's requested treatment of its local exchange service tariff filings, the Commission finds and concludes that Valence's local tariff filings shall be presumed valid upon filing, subject to the Commission's right within thirty (30) days to institute an investigation of the tariff filing. If the Commission institutes an investigation of a tariff filing, then the tariff filing will be suspended until further Order of the Commission. Further, any such tariff filings will be

subject to the same monitoring process as similarly situated competitive local exchange carriers. The Commission believes that this process will allow Valence, as a competitive local exchange carrier, the flexibility to compete in the marketplace but will also allow for protection of the consumer through the Commission's investigation process.

4. The Commission adopts a rate design for Valence for its resale of residential interexchange services which includes only maximum rate levels for each tariff charge. A rate structure incorporating maximum rate levels with the flexibility for adjustment below the maximum rate levels has been previously adopted by the Commission. In Re: Application of GTE Sprint Communications Corporation, etc., Order No. 84-622, issued in Docket No. 84-10-C (August 2, 1984).

5. Valence shall not adjust its residential interexchange rates below the approved maximum level without notice to the Commission and to the public. Valence shall file its proposed rate changes, publish its notice of such changes, and file affidavits of publication with the Commission two weeks prior to the effective date of the changes. However, the public notice requirement is waived, and therefore not required, for reductions below the maximum cap in instances which do not affect the general body of subscribers or do not constitute a general rate reduction. In Re: Application of GTE Sprint Communications, etc., Order No. 93-638, issued in Docket No. 84-10-C (July 16, 1993). Any proposed increase in the maximum rate level for residential services reflected in the tariff which would be applicable to the general body of the Company's subscribers shall constitute a general ratemaking proceeding and will be treated in accordance with the notice and hearing provisions of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-540 (Supp. 1997).

6. With respect to Valence's business service interexchange offerings, the Commission adopts a relaxed regulatory scheme identical to that granted AT&T by the Commission in Order Nos. 95-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 95-661-C. Under this relaxed regulatory scheme, tariff filings for business services shall be presumed valid upon filing. The Commission will have seven (7) days in which to institute an investigation of any tariff filing. If the Commission institutes an investigation of a particular tariff filing within the seven days, the tariff filing will then be suspended until further Order of the Commission. Any relaxation in the future reporting requirements that may be adopted for AT&T shall apply to Valence also.

7. If it has not already done so by the date of issuance of this Order, Valence shall file its revised long distance tariff and an accompanying price list for residential service within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order. The revised tariff shall be consistent with the findings of this Order and shall be consistent with the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

8. Valence is subject to access charges pursuant to Commission Order No. 86-584 in which the Commission determined that for access purposes resellers should be treated similarly to facilities-based interexchange carriers.

9. With regard to the Company's resale interexchange service, an end-user should be able to access another interexchange carrier or operator service provider if the end-user so desires.

10. Valence shall resell the services of only those interexchange carriers or LECs authorized to do business in South Carolina by this Commission. If Valence changes underlying carriers, it shall notify the Commission in writing.

11. With regard to the origination and termination of toll calls within the same LATA, Valence shall comply with the terms of Order No. 93-462, Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement, in Docket Nos. 92-182-C, 92-183-C, and 92-200-C (June 3, 1993).

12. Valence shall file surveillance reports on a calendar or fiscal year basis with the Commission as required by Order No. 88-178 in Docket No. 87-483-C. The proper form for these reports is indicated on Attachment A.

13. The Company shall, in compliance with Commission regulations, designate and maintain an authorized utility representative who is prepared to discuss, on a regulatory level, customer relations (complaint) matters, engineering operations, tests and repairs. In addition, the Company shall provide to the Commission in writing the name of the authorized representative to be contacted in connection with general management duties as well as emergencies which occur during non-office hours.

Valence shall file the names, addresses and telephone numbers of these representatives with the Commission within thirty (30) days of receipt of this Order. Attachment B shall be utilized for the provision of this information to the Commission. Further, the Company shall promptly notify the Commission in writing if the representatives are replaced, and the Company is directed to comply with the Commission regulations unless waived by the Commission.

14. Valence shall conduct its business in compliance with Commission decisions and Orders, both past and future, including but not limited to, any and all Commission decisions which may be rendered in Docket No. 96-018-C regarding local competition.

15. By its Application, Valence requested a waiver of Commission Regulation 103-610, which requires all records for the Company to be kept in the state, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. We hereby grant the waiver, since the Company is based in Texas.

16. Title 23, Chapter 47, South Carolina Code of Laws Ann., governs the establishment and implementation of a "Public Safety Communications Center," which is more commonly known as a "911 system" or "911 service." Services are available through a 911 system to include law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services. In recognition of the necessity of quality 911 services being provided to the citizens of South Carolina, the Commission hereby instructs Valence to contact the appropriate authorities regarding 911 service in the counties and cities where the Company will be operating. Contact with the appropriate 911 service authorities is to be made before beginning telephone service in South Carolina. Accompanying this Order is an information packet from the South Carolina Chapter of the National Emergency Number Association ("SC NENA") with contact information and sample forms. The Company may also obtain information by contacting the E911 Coordinator at the Office of Information Resources of the South Carolina Budget and Control Board. By this Order and prior to providing services within South Carolina, Valence, shall contact the 911 Coordinator in each county, as well as the 911 Coordinator in each city where the city has its own 911 system, and shall provide information regarding the Company's operations as required by the 911 system.

17. For intrastate 0+ operator assisted and calling card calls originated from pay telephone outside confinement facilities and aggregator locations, Valence may not

impose operator service greater than the intrastate charges then currently approved for AT&T. For the usage portion of the call, Valence may not charge more than the intrastate rates charged by AT&T Communications or BellSouth at the time the call is completed.

Valence should be allowed to incorporate in its tariff a surcharge (property imposed fee) on operator-assisted and calling card calls not to exceed \$1.00 for originated from payphone (excluding pay telephones associated with inmate calling service) and from aggregator locations only if the property owner has not added a surcharge already. That is, Valence may not impose an additional surcharge to calls originating from payphones and from aggregator locations if a property owner has already imposed such a surcharge. If such a surcharge is applied on behalf of a property, however, the Company should pay the surcharge in its entirety to the property owner. Further, if the surcharge is applied, the user should be notified of the imposition of the surcharge. This notification should be included in the information pieces identifying the Company as the operator service provider.

Valence is required to provide information pieces to pay telephone service providers or property owners identifying the company as the provider of operator service for authorized calls originated from the location. Valence is required to brand all calls identifying itself as the carrier. The information pieces shall be consistent with the format approved by the Commission in Order No. 93-811, issued in Docket No. 92-557-C.

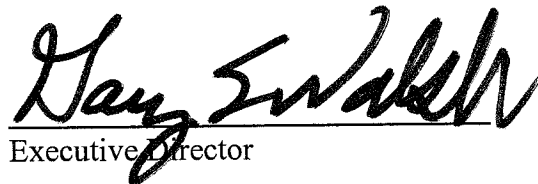
For the provision of operator services, Valence shall comply with the Operator Service Provider Guidelines approved in Order No. 93-534, issued in Docket No. 93-026-C.

18. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

(SEAL)

**ANNUAL INFORMATION ON SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATIONS  
FOR INTEREXCHANGE COMPANIES AND AOS'S**

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COMPANY NAME

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FEI NO.

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ADDRESS

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CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

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PHONE NUMBER

- (1) SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATING REVENUES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING  
DECEMBER 31 OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING \_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE 12 MONTHS ENDING  
DECEMBER 31 OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING \_\_\_\_\_.
- (3) RATE BASE INVESTMENT IN SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATIONS\* FOR  
12 MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31 OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING \_\_\_\_\_.
- \* THIS WOULD INCLUDE GROSS PLANT, ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION,  
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES, CASH WORKING CAPITAL, CONSTRUCTION WORK IN  
PROGRESS, ACCUMULATED DEFERRED INCOME TAX, CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF  
CONSTRUCTION AND CUSTOMER DEPOSITS.
- (4) PARENT'S CAPITAL STRUCTURE\* AT DECEMBER 31 OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- \* THIS WOULD INCLUDE ALL LONG TERM DEBT (NOT THE CURRENT PORTION  
PAYABLE), PREFERRED STOCK AND COMMON EQUITY.
- (5) PARENT'S EMBEDDED COST PERCENTAGE (%) FOR LONG TERM DEBT AND  
EMBEDDED COST PERCENTAGE (%) FOR PREFERRED STOCK AT YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31 OR FISCAL YEAR ENDING \_\_\_\_\_.
- (6) ALL DETAILS ON THE ALLOCATION METHOD USED TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT  
OF EXPENSES ALLOCATED TO SOUTH CAROLINA OPERATIONS AS WELL AS  
METHOD OF ALLOCATION OF COMPANY'S RATE BASE INVESTMENT (SEE #3  
ABOVE).

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SIGNATURE

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ATTACHMENT B

**INFORMATION OF THE AUTHORIZED UTILITY  
REPRESENTATIVES FOR INTEREXCHANGE, LOCAL  
AND AOS COMPANIES**

PURSUANT TO SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
REGULATION 103-612.2.4(b), each utility shall file and maintain with the Commission  
the name, title, address, and telephone number of the persons who should be contacted in  
connection with Customer Relations/Complaints.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name/DBA Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Utility Representative (Please Print or Type)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
This form was completed by

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

If you have any questions, contact the Consumer Services Department at 803-896-5230

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. 1999-049-C

Re: Application of Valence Communications Services, Ltd. for a )  
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide )  
Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services ) **STIPULATION**  
in the State of South Carolina )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

The South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC") (see attachment "A" for list of companies) and Valence Communications Services, Ltd. ("Valence") hereby enter into the following stipulations. As a consequence of these stipulations and conditions, the necessity for SCTC's intervention in this matter is avoided and SCTC withdraws its opposition to Valence's Application. SCTC and Valence stipulate and agree as follows:

1. SCTC does not oppose the granting of a statewide Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Valence, provided the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") makes the necessary findings to justify granting of such a certificate, and provided the conditions contained within this stipulation are met.

2. Valence stipulates and agrees that any Certificate which may be granted will authorize Valence to provide service only to customers located in non-rural local exchange company ("LEC") service areas of South Carolina, except as provided herein.

3. Valence stipulates that it is not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas.

4. Valence stipulates and agrees that it will not provide any local service, by its own facilities or otherwise, to any customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, unless and until Valence provides such rural incumbent LEC and the Commission with written notice of its intent to do so at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended service. During such notice period, the rural incumbent LEC will have the opportunity to petition the Commission to exercise all rights afforded it under Federal and State law. Also, Valence acknowledges that the Commission may suspend the intended date for service in rural LEC territory for ninety (90) days while the Commission conducts any proceeding incident to the Petition or upon the Commission's own Motion, provided that the Commission can further suspend the implementation date upon showing of good cause.

5. Valence stipulates and agrees that if, after Valence gives notice that it intends to serve a customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, the Commission receives a Petition from the rural incumbent LEC to exercise its rights under Federal or State law, or the Commission institutes a proceeding of its own, then Valence will not provide service to any customer located within the service area in question without prior and further Commission approval.

6. Valence acknowledges that any right which it may have or acquire to serve a rural telephone company service area in South Carolina is subject to the conditions contained

herein, and to any future policies, procedures, and guidelines relevant to such proposed service which the Commission may implement, so long as such policies, procedures, and guidelines do not conflict with Federal or State law.

7. The parties stipulate and agree that all rights under Federal and State law are reserved to the rural incumbent LECs, and this Stipulation in no way suspends or adversely affects such rights, including any exemptions, suspensions, or modifications to which they may be entitled.

8. Valence agrees to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate, to the extent it may be required to do so by the Commission, in the support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates.

9. Valence hereby amends its application and its prefiled testimony in this docket to the extent necessary to conform with this Stipulation.

AGREED AND STIPULATED to this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 1999.

Valence Communications Services, Ltd.

John Q. Pringle, Jr.

South Carolina Telephone Coalition:

Margaret M. Fox

M. John Bowen, Jr.

Margaret M. Fox

McNair Law Firm, P.A.

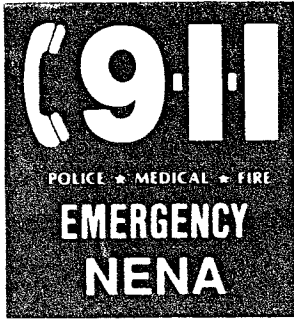
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Attorneys for the South Carolina  
Telephone Coalition

ATTACHMENT A  
South Carolina Telephone Coalition Member Companies  
for Purposes of Local Service Stipulation

ALLTEL South Carolina, Inc.  
Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc.  
Chesnee Telephone Company  
Chester Telephone Company  
Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Ft. Mill Telephone Company  
Hargray Telephone Company, Inc.  
Heath Springs Telephone Company Inc.  
Home Telephone Company, Inc.  
Lancaster Telephone Company  
Lockhart Telephone Company  
McClellanville Telephone Company  
Norway Telephone Company  
Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Pond Branch Telephone Company  
Ridgeway Telephone Company  
Rock Hill Telephone Company  
Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
St. Stephen Telephone Company  
West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.  
Williston Telephone Company



# NENA

**National  
Emergency  
Number  
Association**

**South Carolina Chapter**

October 1, 1998

To: Telephone Companies New to South Carolina

In an effort to continue providing quality emergency services to the citizens of South Carolina, the SC NENA (National Emergency Number Association) requests that before beginning telephone service in a county, you contact the 911 Coordinator in that county. This will allow both parties to obtain important information about providing 911 services in that county. If you have already begun service, then contact the coordinator as soon as possible.

A list of County 911 Coordinators is provided with this letter. A list is also maintained on the South Carolina E911 homepage at [www.state.sc.us/911](http://www.state.sc.us/911). If you have any questions related to 911 in South Carolina, you may contact E911 Coordination at the Office of Information Resources at 803-737-9616. The person responsible for this can also be found on the 911 homepage. Please be aware that some cities may have their own E911 systems, these are listed on the attached list and on the 911 homepage. These city coordinators will need to be contacted in addition to the county coordinators.

## County 911 Contacts

### *ALPHABETICAL INDEX*

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The 911 Contacts page is listed in alphabetical order, by county.  
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Abbeville County - May, Bill  
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Aiken County - Heath-Callahan, Kate  
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Aiken, SC 29801  
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Chester County - Lee, Jesse  
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Chester, SC 29706  
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F 803-635-4299

Florence County - Matthews, Elizabeth M.  
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Hanahan, SC 29410  
O 843-554-4221 ex165

Horry County - Hardwick, Renee  
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**Lee County - Conway, Bill**  
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**Bishopville, SC 29010**  
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**Marlboro County - Cooper, Lewis**  
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**Bennettsville, SC 29512**  
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# MEMO OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN COMPANY AND 9-1-1 ENTITY

## EXPLANATION SHEET

**PURPOSE:** Formal standardized exchange of information between the CLECs and the 9-1-1 Entities.

**Attachment No. 1** - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides 9-1-1 related information on the Company's service plan including: Company network; 9-1-1 network interconnection; service areas and offerings; database updates and anticipated commercial service cutover dates.

**Attachment No. 2** - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides name, title and contact numbers for database, billing, service installation/cutover, network operations and 9-1-1 coordination. This information will include 24 hour 7 day emergency contact number and management escalation.

**Attachment No. 3** - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Contains 9-1-1 Entity provided information for default routing in various types of 9-1-1 call failure conditions or where a customer dials "O" for Operator instead of 911. Includes "default" PSAP designations, Public Switched Network 10 digit "default" PSAP telephone numbers and special routing information that may be required for operation of the 9-1-1 System.

**Attachment No. 4** - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides detailed testing plan for Company's 9-1-1 interconnection prior to live commercial service cutover. Includes test call process for 9-1-1 trunk group to the 9-1-1 tandem, ALI database entries, default routing and calls to an Operator.

**Attachment No. 5** - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Provides detailed information on procedures to be followed by the company in the case of 9-1-1 trunk group failure, 9-1-1 tandem failure or Company switch isolation from the Public Switched Network.

**Attachment No. 6** - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Provides all the information necessary for Company billing and remittance of the 9-1-1 fees. This will include authorizing law or Fee Order; detail on charges and differences between residential, business line and business trunk charges; charging limitations for large customers, if any; administrative fee to be retained by the Company and remittance destination information.

**Attachment No. 7** - This attachment is to be filled out by the CLEC.

Details charges involved with providing 9-1-1 service incurred by the Company. These will normally be passed through to the 9-1-1 Entity. Included are Company costs for connecting to the 9-1-1 network, 9-1-1 Network use charges, if any, and 9-1-1 database preparation costs.

**Attachment No. 8** - This attachment is to be filled out by the 9-1-1 Managing Entity.

Provides name, title and contact numbers for database, billing, PSAP operations, 9-1-1 Entity management, and the Lead Telco Representative.

All attachments are necessary for the full exchange of information. Some CLECs may not elect to complete Attachment No. 7 at the time of initial exchange, but reserve for future use.

A Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding would be completed for each county. Certain attachment information will be different for each county.

**Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding**  
**Between Company and 9-1-1 Entity**

*This document, together with Attachments 1 through 8, summarizes and acknowledges the establishment of a working relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ ("Company") and \_\_\_\_\_ ("the 9-1-1 Entity").*

**Company**

- Will provide local exchange service throughout \_\_\_\_\_ area starting approximately \_\_\_\_\_ 199\_\_. See Attachment 1 for 9-1-1 Service Plan.
- Is a Certified Local Exchange Carrier in the State of \_\_\_\_\_.
- Will be in compliance with all applicable state and local regulations.
- Will provide the 9-1-1 Entity with its contact and escalation list, as set forth in Attachment 2.

**Company Network Service**

- Has completed an Interconnection Agreement with \_\_\_\_\_ ("ILEC").
- Has agreed to provide 911 Tandem/Trunking through \_\_\_\_\_ ("ILEC").
- Has agreed to provide Database Access through \_\_\_\_\_ ("ILEC").
- Will provide database updates within 24 hours.
- Will use "default" PSAP in case of 9-1-1 network failure and for Operator routing as set forth in Attachment 3.
- Provides a 9-1-1 Test Plan and Disaster Recovery Plan as set forth in Attachments 4 & 5.

**Company Billing**

- Will bill and remit collected authorized 9-1-1 Emergency Service Fee, less all authorized collection fees, as described in Attachment 6.
- Reserves the right to retain or bill an additional fee for "Network Services" charges, as set forth in Attachment 7 as allowed by tariff and state law.

**9-1-1 Entity**

- Provides a PSAP, Lead Telco and 9-1-1 Entity contact and escalation list as set forth in Attachment 8.
- Designates the "default" PSAP and default PSAP 10 digit access number for network failure and Operator routing as set forth in Attachment 3.
- Provides Emergency Service Fee information as set forth in Attachment 6.
- Provides Emergency Service Fee remittance and Network Services charge billing name and address in Attachment 6.
- Provides a copy of this Memo of Acknowledgement and Understanding to their lead telco after execution.
- Acknowledges that a working relationship exists with the Company both directly and, as appropriate, through the ILEC.
- Acknowledges that the Company has established network and service preparation plans for the completion of Company customer 911 calls.

The parties agree to update, as necessary, and provide the other party with any revisions, amendments or modifications to the information contained in Attachments 1 through 8.

**Company**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The 9-1-1 Entity**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attachment No. 1**

**Company 9-1-1 Service Plan For 9-1-1 Entity Locations**

1. Service Establishment Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Company NXX(s) serving 9-1-1 Entity locations: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Type services provided:

|                   |       |
|-------------------|-------|
| Business Lines    | _____ |
| Residential Lines | _____ |
| ISDN              | _____ |
| CENTREX           | _____ |
| PBX               | _____ |
| Intrastate Toll   | _____ |
| _____             | _____ |
| _____             | _____ |
| _____             | _____ |
  
4. (Company) Switch:

|           |       |
|-----------|-------|
| Location  | _____ |
|           | _____ |
| Type      | _____ |
| CLLI Code | _____ |
  
5. Tandem(s) connection(s):

|             |       |                          |       |
|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| To Location | _____ | Initial Trunk Group Size | _____ |
|             |       | NXX(s) sent              | _____ |
| CLLI Code   | _____ |                          | _____ |
| To Location | _____ | Initial Trunk Group Size | _____ |
|             |       | NXX(s) sent              | _____ |
| CLLI Code   | _____ |                          | _____ |
  
6. Company 9-1-1 Database input to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
7. Company administrative location: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Company 9-1-1 Escalation & Contact List

Database & Billing

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —
- —
- —
- —

Network Operations

24hr Network Management Center (NMC)

NMC

Trouble Reporting Number

800-xxx-xxxx

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

Installation & Operations Management

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

Location General Manager

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —

9-1-1 Entity Coordination

(Name -- Title -- Telephone #)

- —

**9-1-1 Entity Default Routing Designation**

**For Use By Company**

**9-1-1 Entity Provided Information**

**Default PSAP for:**

1. ANI/ALI Failure:

PSAP Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Location \_\_\_\_\_

PSAP ESN #, if known \_\_\_\_\_

2. Company to 9-1-1 Tandem, trunk group failure:

PSAP Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Location \_\_\_\_\_

10 Digit Public Switched Network Emergency # for PSAP access: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Emergency Calls to an Operator (0):

PSAP Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Location \_\_\_\_\_

10 Digit Public Switched Network Emergency # for PSAP access: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Other 9-1-1 Entities sharing the same defaults:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9-1-1 Cutover -- Operational Tests

E9-1-1 Trunk Group & Emergency Calls to an Operator

*The test calls, except default routing, must have the calling address and telephone number in the designated 9-1-1 Database.*

*Test calls will be made for each Company NXX.*

*Company will notify each PSAP or 9-1-1 Entity, as appropriate, that is associated with a test call prior to the scheduled test date.*

**9-1-1 TRUNK TEST**

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

("Detail testing steps")

**DEFAULT ROUTE TESTS**

**ALI Failure**

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

("Detail default route testing steps")

**Trunk Failure**

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

("Detail default route testing steps")

**Operator Services**

- —
- —
- —
- —
- —

("Detail default route testing steps")



**9-1-1 Fee To Be Billed By Company**

**FEE AMOUNTS:**

***The 911 Emergency Service Fee that is charged pursuant to Local Ordinance and/or State Law:***

1. Residential: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ flat fee

-fee applied per each line

2. Business:

Line \$ \_\_\_\_\_ flat fee

Trunk \$ \_\_\_\_\_ flat fee

☐ fee applied per line or trunk to all lines and trunks

☐ fee applied per entity, per location, to a maximum of \_\_\_\_\_ lines and \_\_\_\_\_ trunks

3. Other Fee related information: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Fee order copy, if applicable, will be provided to the Company.

**REMITTANCE TO 9-1-1 ENTITY:**

Payable to: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Network Service Charges

(As Allowed by Tariff and State Law)

- |    |   |           |
|----|---|-----------|
| 1. | Company switch to 9-1-1 tandem facilities | \$xxx/mo. |
|    | Description of charges:                   |           |

- |    |   |           |
|----|---|-----------|
| 2. | Interconnect company pass-through charges | \$xxx/mo. |
|    | Description of charges:                   |           |

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Description of charges: | \$xxx/1000 lines |
|-------------------------|------------------|

- |    |                               |                |
|----|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 3. | Database Input System charges | \$xxx/line/mo. |
|    | Description of charges:       |                |

**9-1-1 Entity and ILEC Escalation & Contact List**

**Database & Billing**

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- \_\_\_\_\_

**PSAP Operations**

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- \_\_\_\_\_

**9-1-1 Entity Management**

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)
- \_\_\_\_\_

**Lead Telco Representative**

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Name -- Title -- Telephone #)